

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. through 13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) A set of shingles having an appearance that varies from shingle to shingle, each of the shingles having an overlay sheet and an underlay sheet:

each overlay sheet having a plurality of tabs, at least one of the tabs being a select tab; and

each underlay sheet having one or more shadow patches and one or more non-shadow portions, the one or more shadow patches having a color blend of granules darker than the color blend of granules of the one or more non-shadow portions, at least one of the shadow patches of each shingle defining a remainder portion when the select tab covers a portion of the at least one shadow patches,

wherein the positions of the select tab and the shadow patches vary with respect to each other from shingle to shingle, thereby leaving a portion of one of the shadow patches and a portion of one of the non-shadow portions uncovered by the select tab, and causing the appearance of the remainder portion to vary from shingle to shingle.

15. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 14 wherein the select tab includes a bottom edge and some of the remainder portion is visible along the bottom edge of the select tab.

16. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein the shingles include a longitudinal axis and the remainder portion includes a vertical portion positioned approximately perpendicular to the longitudinal axis.

17. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein the shingles include a longitudinal axis and the remainder portion includes a longitudinal portion positioned approximately parallel to the longitudinal axis.

18. (Currently Amended) A set of shingles having an appearance that varies from shingle to shingle:

each shingle having a plurality of tabs, at least one of the tabs being a select tab; and

each shingle having one or more shadow patches and one or more non-shadow portions, the one or more shadow patches having a color blend of granules darker than the color blend of granules of the one or more non-shadow portions, at least one of the shadow patches of each shingle defining a remainder portion when the select tab covers a portion of the at least one shadow patches,

wherein the relative longitudinal positions of the select tab and at least one shadow patch vary with respect to each other from shingle to shingle, thereby leaving a portion of one of the shadow patches and a portion of one of the non-shadow portions uncovered by the select tab, and causing the appearance of the remainder portion to vary from shingle to shingle.

19. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 18, further comprising:

each said shingle comprising a longitudinal width, and each of said shadow patches having a patch width disposed along the longitudinal width of the respective shingle;

each said shingle comprising an underlay sheet and an overlay sheet, each said overlay sheet comprising a pattern of tabs and cutouts, and wherein one of the tabs of the pattern being the select tab, each said select tab having a tab width disposed along the longitudinal width of the respective shingle;

wherein the respective tab width of the select tab being less than the respective patch width, and wherein a relative longitudinal position of each shadow patch and the respective select tab are synchronized.

20. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 19, further comprising:

each said respective overlay sheet and underlay sheet being laminated together, thereby covering a portion of the respective shadow patch with the respective tab to leave a remainder portion of each shadow patch uncovered by said tab.

21. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 20, further comprising:

Each said remainder portion having a respective width established by relatively varying a longitudinal position of each respective tab and shadow patch.

22. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 21, wherein the width of a first remainder portion of a first of said shingles is less than a second width of a second shingle due to a difference in the relative position of the respective tabs and shadow patches of each of said shingles.

23. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 20, wherein the remainder portion includes a vertical portion approximately perpendicular to the longitudinal axis.

24. (Previously Presented) The set of shingles of claim 20, wherein the remainder portion includes a longitudinal portion positioned approximately parallel to the longitudinal axis.